

**Remarks**

This preliminary amendment is made to remove multiple dependencies and reference numerals from the claims. This preliminary amendment is also made to more clearly define the claims. Applicant respectfully requests consideration of this amendment prior to calculation of the filing fee.

If a conference call would be useful in resolving issues arising from the filing of this communication, please contact the undersigned at the below-noted number.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Donald W. Walk', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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